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TAGS: SHUM, UY

SUBJECT: JUAN FERREIRA DENIED URUGUAYAN PASSPORT RENEWAL

1. JUAN FERREIRA CALLED THE DESK ON DECEMBER 6 TO ADVISE THAT THE GOU HAD DENIED HIS PETITION FOR RENEWAL OF HIS PASSPORT. HE REQUESTED THAT THE EMBASSY BE ADVISED AND ASKED FURTHER IF HIS CASE MIGHT BE SUBMITTED FOR RECONSIDERATION BY THE GOU THROUGH THE INFORMATION COMMISSION.
2. DESK OFFICER GRAHAM TOLD FERREIRA THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD REPORT THIS MATTER TO OUR EMBASSY, AND THAT THE EMBASSY WOULD CONSIDER WHETHER IT COULD BE HELPFUL BY RAISING THIS MATTER WITH APPROPRIATE URUGUAYAN AUTHORITIES. HOWEVER, THE INFORMAL INFORMATION COMMISSION CHANNEL, TO WHICH HE REFERRED, DID NOT APPEAR TO BE THE PROPER AVENUE OF APPROACH. IT WAS EXPLAINED THAT THE COMMISSION HAD

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BEEN ESTABLISHED FOR THE PURPOSE OF RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES REGARDING THE STATUS OF PRISONERS IN URUGUAY, AND NOT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS ON CASES SUCH AS HIS.

3. ON DECEMBER 7, IN RESPONSE TO OUR INQUIRY, THE URUGUAYA4 EMBASSY CONFIRMED THAT IT HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS ON

DECEMBER 6 THAT THE EMBASSY WAS NOT AUTHORIZED TO RENEW JUAN FERREIRA'S PASSPORT. NO EXPLANATION WAS GIVEN. THE URUGUAYAN EMBASSY SOURCE STATED THAT THE DECISION ON FERREIRA'S PASSPORT WAS NOT MADE IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY. THE SOURCE SPECULATED THAT SUCH DECISIONS ARE MADE BY THE INTERIOR MINISTRY IN CONSULTATION WITH THE URUGUAYAN SECURITY SERVICES.

4. FERREIRA IS CONSULTING WITH THE WASHINGTON OFFICE FOR LATIN AMERICA AS TO WHAT LEGAL STEPS HE MIGHT CONSIDER, EITHER TO APPLY FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM OR OTHERWISE REGULARIZE HIS STATUS IN THE U.S. WE WILL KEEP EMBASSY ADVISED OF DEVELOPMENTS AND, DEPENDING UPON WHAT ACTION FERREIRA TAKES, MAY SEEK THE EMBASSY'S OPINION REGARDING POLITICAL ASYLUM.

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